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November 1, 2002

To:

Department Heads

FROM:

Robert L. Childree, State Comptroller

RE:

CAFR Instructions - Capital Assets in Proprietary Funds

With the implementation of GASB 34 for the Fiscal Year 2002 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), the methodology for reporting Capital Assets has changed. You will continue to perform your own depreciation as a Proprietary Fund. All other reporting requirements for Proprietary Funds as explained in the CAFR Instructions dated October 1, 2002 still apply.

However, due to GASB 34 requirements, we need additional information from Proprietary Funds in order to prepare the Note to the Financial Statements pertaining to Capital Assets for the CAFR. This information needs to be furnished to the State Comptroller's office no later than 5:00 PM, Monday, December 2, 2002. Data should be submitted electronically (by diskette or CD) according to the following instructions to the Financial Reporting Section, RSA Union Suite 206, 100 N. Union St., Montgomery, AL 36130-2602 or by email to mmay@comptroller.state.al.us.

Capital Assets are defined as 1) assets meeting your defined capitalization threshold and 2) assets that have useful lives greater than one year. Your capitalization threshold is assumed to be set at assets greater than or equal to \$500.00 unless we are notified differently by memorandum. Therefore, the requirements of this memorandum apply to all of your agency's Capital Assets. Please note that Proprietary Fund assets are no longer exempt from having to load Comptroller codes for State Fund, Activity and Class (Balance Sheet Account) in Protégé FA7. If you use Protégé FA7 and your agency operates inside the Treasury and does not have Financial Statements prepared by outside CPAs, then the three Comptroller's codes must be loaded by 5:00 PM, Monday, December 2, 2002. These codes

can be loaded by spreadsheet through Incircuit for a fee. If all of your personal property assets are in Protégé FA7 and you do not own Real Property, you do not have to furnish a spreadsheet. The below referenced spreadsheet is required if you meet any of the following criteria. You may meet more than one of the criteria:

- 1) Own Real Property
- 2) Agency is exempt from State Auditor
- 3) Own property exempt from State Auditor
- 4) Do not use FA7

If the attached flowchart points you to a document entitled "Proprietary Fund Type Capital Asset Restatements, Additions and Reductions" spreadsheet, please electronically submit the required data as outlined on the attached spreadsheet. Although, a blank spreadsheet is attached for explanatory purposes, the electronic version of the spreadsheet should be downloaded from the Comptroller's website. The file for the spreadsheet is available for download at www.comptroller.state.al.us under the heading "2002 CAFR Instructions". Please select the link entitled "Proprietary Fund Capital Asset Worksheet Reductions" spreadsheet. Please use this spreadsheet and not a substitute. If you do not have Excel, please contact this office for alternative acceptable electronic formats. If you meet the criteria to complete a spreadsheet, it applies even if you have Financial Statements prepared by outside CPAs, but the data should be lifted from the Notes to your Financial Statements.

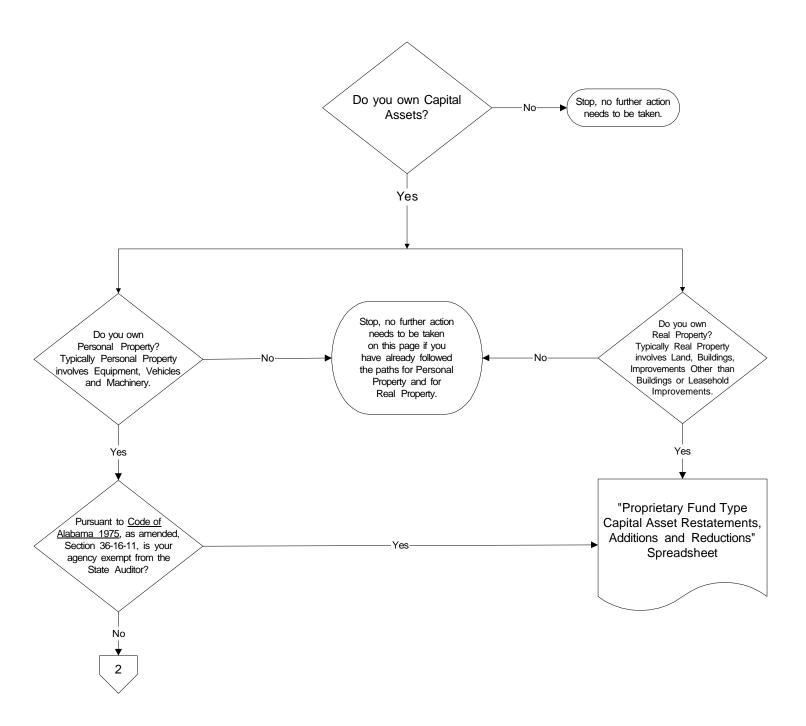
Please contact Melanie May at (334) 242-4954 or mmay@comptroller.state.al.us if you have any questions. Questions regarding Protégé FA7 should continue to be directed to Patty Toney in the State Auditor's office at (334) 242-7036 or ptoney@auditor.state.al.us.

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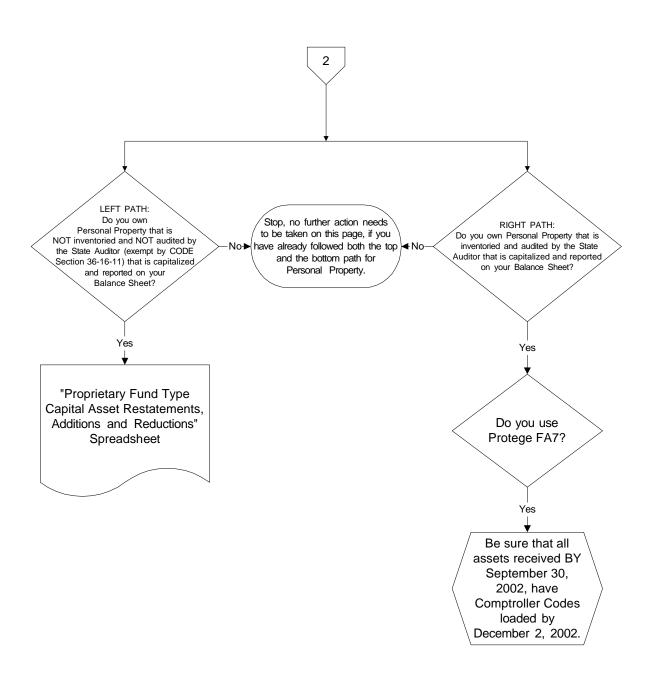
Cc: Dr. Susan Parker, State Auditor Mr. Ron L. Jones, Chief Examiner

Attachments (3)

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE CAPITAL ASSETS FLOWCHART FOR CAFR REPORTING FY2002 Part One of Two



PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE CAPITAL ASSETS FLOWCHART FOR CAFR REPORTING FY2002 Part Two of Two



Proprietary Fund Type Capital Asset Additions and Reductions.

Spreadsheet for Reporting Changes in Capital Assets October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002

Please fill in the worksheet entitled "Additions/Reductions" to Capital Assets.

Return to Melanie May

c/o State Comptroller 100 N. Union St., RSA Union Suite 206 Montgomery, AL 36104

Must be in electronic format and received by the Comptroller's Office no later than December 2, 2002.

Agency Name						
Agency Contact						
Agency Address						
	PROPRIET	ARY FUND TYPE CAPITA	<u>L ASSET RESTATEMENTS</u>	S, ADDITIONS, AND REDUC	CTIONS (INSIDE AND OU	TSIDE TREASURY)
Balance Sheet Capital						
Asset Classifications						
(for example, Land,	Balance Sheet	Beginning Balance as of				Ending Balance
Buildings, etc.)*	Account Number**	October 1, 2001***	Restatements****	Additions	Reductions*****	September 30, 2002*****
Asset Book Values:						
Accumulated Depreciat	ion by Classification?					
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*All agencies will baye.	Ralance Sheet Capite	al Asset Classifications				
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^{**}CAS Balance Sheet Account Numbers apply only to In-Treasury agencies.
***Though presented separately on this spreadsheet, beginning Balances (Book Value net of Accumulated Depreciation) should agree with amounts reflected on last year's financial statements.

^{****}Restatements intended to lower the beginning balance should be keyed as negative (-) numbers.

^{*****}Reductions should be keyed as negative (-) numbers.

^{******}Ending Balances, net of Accumulated Depreciation should agree with amounts reflected on this year's financial statements.

^{*******}Accumulated Depreciation Beginning Balances and Additions should be keyed as negative (-) numbers. Accumulated Depreciation Reductions should be keyed as positive (+) numbers. Restatements intended to reduce the Accumulated Depreciation Beginning Balance should be keyed as positive (+) numbers.